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Chez Pierre Seminar

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"Pair Density Waves and High Tc Superconductivity"

Experiments in LBCO and other members of the Lanthanum family of high Tc cuprates have suggested that the state that compete with dwave superconductivity is a modulated version of that state which my collaborators and I have called the pair-density-wave (PDW) state. The recent discovery of charge order in other families of high Tc superconductors (e.g. YBCO, BSCCO and others) have brought to the fore the origin and relation between the observed charge order and d-wave superconductivity. I will present an overview of the evidence for this stat, of some of the theoretical evidence supporting it, and of its relation with the concept of intertwined orders. I will also review the evidence for PDW-like superconducting states in 1D systems which turn out to be topological.